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GILMORE SAVED BY AGUINALDO

Party Lined Up to Be Shot by
Order of General Luna.

REBEL LEADER INTERFERED

Story of the Capture and Experience
as Told by the Escaped Prisoner
Sonnenstein.

MANILA, Dec. 1.—1:40 a. m.—When the landing party of the United States battleship Oregon under Lieutenant Commander McCracken took the town of Vigan, in the province of South Ilocos, last Sunday, they found there an escaped prisoner, A. L. Sonnenstein, who furnished the first authentic account of the experience of Lieutenant J. C. Gilmore, of the United States gunboat Yorktown, who, with a party of the Yorktown, was captured by the insurgents near Baler, on the east coast of Luzon last April, while making an examination of the mouth of the river, in an armed boat.

Sonnenstein was imprisoned at Abra for a long time with Lieutenant Gilmore and his seven sailors, but contrived to escape, carrying a concealed note, written in naval cipher, dated Abra, Nov. 12, addressed to "Any naval officer" and saying:

"You may have perfect confidence in anything the bearer says." The note was signed "Gilmore."

According to Sonnenstein, when Lieutenant Gilmore's launch entered the river from Baler harbor, under cover of enfilade W. H. Standley's gun, the landing was received with three volleys. Two of the Americans were killed and two mortally wounded. Every man was hit. Lieutenant Gilmore receiving a flesh wound in the leg and his foot was stuck fast in the mud. It was a choice between surrender and being slaughtered.

"Lieutenant Gilmore asked the terms of release. The insurgents proposed that he should procure the delivery to them of their arms and munitions of the Spanish garrisons, undertaking, if this were accomplished, to send the Spaniards and Americans to the Yorktown."

"A sailor of Lieutenant Gilmore's party carried this proposition to the garrison. The Spanish commandant replied that it was an insult to the Spanish arms, and expelled the sailor, a Spanish soldier firing on him as he went."

"The Americans were then bound hand and foot and taken to San Isidro, where General Luna ordered their execution. They were marched to the plaza, and in the presence of a great crowd were aligned to be executed."

"Lieutenant Gilmore said: 'As an officer and gentleman I protest against being shot with my hands tied.'"

"Aguinaldo then interfered and prevented the execution."

"When General Lawton approached San Isidro last June, the Americans were removed to Abra, where they were kept confined in cells for two months. Subsequently they were allowed greater liberty. The Americans were given the same allowance as the Spanish prisoners, five cents a day with which to buy rice and bananas, virtually the only ration."

General Mac Arthur is now in Bayambang preparing to sweep the country on both sides of the Manila Dagupan railroad. General Wheaton is at San Fabian and General Lawton at Tang.

A complete cordon from San Isidro covers all the road and occupies all towns on the line. The American policy is to prevent any more insurgents escaping to the north and to force them toward the country west of the railroad.

FIXING THE BLAME.

Condition of Transport Manuense's Was Due to the Act of Providence.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The quartermaster general has received a detailed report by telegraph from Lieutenant Colonel O. F. Long, in charge of the transport service at San Francisco, which recently arrived at Manila after undergoing frightful hardships in a Pacific typhoon. After going into the details of the inspection of the vessel Long says:

"I believe, and all our officials connected with transport service have concurred, that when the Manuense left here she was perfectly seaworthy and fully manned and provisioned."

Colonel Ballinger, in charge of the transport service here, said it seemed clear that the utmost vigilance had been used and such hardships as had occurred must be attributed to the elements.

ENGAGEMENT AT ILO ILO.

MANILA, Nov. 30.—Dispatches just received from Ilo Ilo, island of Panay,

say that on the evening of Sunday, Nov. 26, the Nineteenth regiment encountered an entrenched force of the enemy at Pavia who opened a heavy fire. The leading battalion repelled and after several volleys the Nineteenth flanked the Filipinos, driving them out of their trenches. The enemy retreated to the mountains.

At the beginning of the fight one captain and one private of the Eighteenth were killed.

NEW ORLEANS AHEAD.

Indication is That She Will Win the Race to Manila.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The cruiser New Orleans has arrived at Colombo on her way to Manila. This brings her up to the cruiser Brooklyn for the first time since their ocean race to the Philippines began. The indications are that the New Orleans will be the first to arrive at Manila.

CUBA IS QUIET.

No Dissatisfaction With American Control, and the Island Rapidly Recovering From the War.

HAVANA, Nov. 30.—La Lucha, in an editorial on the situation in Cuba, says: "There will be neither revolt nor insurrection. Matters are in a grave condition, but not alarmingly so. The judicial behavior of all persons of influence will prevent violent or sensational developments. There has been no outbreak of armed men in any part of the island, and as a matter of fact the people in the rural districts intend to squelch any attempt at a rising."

"The farmers who had to be forced to fight Spain, are now beginning to recover from the effects of that struggle. They know that the Americans are determined to maintain the peace, and they know also that the American authorities are kept fully informed of every step taken by men who are giving a percentage of their salaries to buy arms. The other imbeciles—the agitators and office-holders who are using the money they receive from the United States to further plans which they must know are doomed to fail—are also marked men. The American government has in Cuba an unapproachable spy service, largely composed of Cubans themselves."

Remarks of this nature coming from a newspaper closely in touch with the facts of the situation and inclined to show the brightest side of affairs, have provoked a good deal of discussion among Americans here, especially an allusion in another part of the editorial to the project of the rural guard to use the arms furnished them by the United States. This latest suggestion is thought by some to confirm the report that the rural guard will take to the woods in a body when called upon by properly authorized Cuban leaders.

LIFE SAVING SERVICE.

Interesting Report of Operations During the Past Year—A Good Showing.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The annual report of the general superintendent of the life saving service states that at the close of the year the establishment embraced 266 stations, 192 being on the Atlantic and gulf coasts, 56 on the lakes, 15 on the Pacific and one at the falls of the Ohio, Louisville, Ky.

The number of disasters to documented vessels within the field of operations of the service during the year was 428. There were on board these vessels 2,903, and 56 were lost. The estimated value of the vessels involved was \$5,072,625, and that of their cargoes \$2,032,095, making a total of property imperiled \$7,104,720. Of this amount \$6,251,900 was saved. The number of vessels lost was 72.

In addition to the foregoing there were during the year 294 casualties to small craft, on board of which there were 671 persons, 664 of whom were saved and seven lost. Of the 62 persons perished, 44 were lost in one district, the second, on the coast of Massachusetts, and 40 of these in one storm—the most unprecedented tempest of November 26 and 27, 1898. One-half of these latter number were on board of vessels which were destroyed on outlying rocks and shoals, where they could not be seen. The entire loss of life in all the other districts was only 19. These, with the four lost in the second district aside from those who perished in the November hurricane, make a total of 23, which number falls below the annual loss of all the districts in recent years.

BRYAN AND HOGG.

Suggestion That the Porcine Statesman Tail His Ticket Applauded by the Populist Leader.

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 30.—While Wm. J. Bryan and Ex-Governor Hogg and other politicians were making rear and train speeches at Elgin near this city this afternoon, a boom was started for Ex-Governor James Hogg for second place on the national democratic ticket and Bryan warmly applauded the proposition.

NO LATE NEWS FROM THE WAR

Official Report as to Gen. Mathews' Condition Issued.

HIS WOUND IS NOT SEVERE

Much Satisfaction Over Wolsey's Determination to Embark New Division—Firing at Ladysmith.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—4:40 a. m.—Beyond a report from Estcourt that firing was heard in the direction of Ladysmith Monday, there is not a shred of news of any kind from the seat of war. A semi-official statement has been issued that Lord Methuen's wound is not serious and that he is expected to be all right in the course of a few days. It is certain, however, that the wound will prevent his being in the saddle and there is great anxiety to know whether he will be compelled to temporarily abandon the personal direction of affairs.

As men are needed in all directions, Lord Wolsey's announcement that the new division will be embarked without delay has been received with the greatest satisfaction. Transports will soon be returning from the Cape and it is hoped that the men will be dispatched speedily.

HOLDING ON AT MAFEKING.

Report From Baden-Powell Shows That all is Well and the Boer Bombardment is Ineffectual.

LONDON, Nov. 30. Colonel Baden-Powell, under date of Mafeking, Nov. 30, has sent the following to the war office through General Forester-Walker at Cape Town:

"All well here. Cronje has gone with a commando and with about 25 wagons to Ricoters, Transvaal, leaving most of the guns here with the Marico and Liechtenburg contingents, with orders to shell us into submission."

The bombardment and sniping continue with very small results. I am daily pushing out our advance work with good result.

KENTUCKY POLITICS.

Anticipated Protest Against Goebel Election in the Congressional Convention Did Not Occur.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 30.—The seventh district of the congressional convention which was expected to sound the anti-election key note for the Goebel democracy as well as to nominate a candidate to succeed Eben Settle, deceased, convened this afternoon, but owing to a tie up in the committee on resolutions it accomplished nothing.

The hitch in the convention arose over the question of reaffirming the platform of the Louisville convention, at which Goebel was nominated.

It is understood that J. R. Allen, the leading candidate for the congressional nomination, while he supported Goebel, is a dissenter of the platform as to the endorsement of the Goebel election law.

At 10:30 o'clock 47 ballots had been taken but no nomination had been made.

THE PATERSON WRECK.

Crews of the Various Trains Involved Endeavoring to Fix the Blame on Each Other.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Six persons were killed almost instantly and twenty seriously injured in the train wreck at Paterson, N. J., last night, when an accommodation train on the Lackawanna railroad crashed into the rear of the Buffalo express standing near the station. The engineer on the accommodation train was John Riordan. He stuck to his post. The fireman is said to have jumped just before the locomotive struck the end of the smoker.

Riordan escaped practically unharmed. He said that he had seen no danger signal and did not know that the Buffalo train was on the other side of the curve, as it was an hour behind its regular time. Superintendent Russell, of the Lackawanna road, said that the flagman near the station should have given warning to the approaching train, and that Riordan should have seen the red lights on the end of the Buffalo train in time to avoid the accident.

Riordan says that the sharp curve on the road at that point hid the rear red lights on the Buffalo train from view. Whether the station flagman signalled the train was not absolutely cleared up last night. Riordan asserts he saw no signals. It seems to be a certainty that no one thought of sending a man down the road beyond the curve to flag the approaching accommodation train which was running on its usual schedule, and the people at

the station must have known it was due.

Superintendent Russell of the Lackawanna, made this statement last night: "Train No. 56, the Phillipsburg accommodation, overtook train No. 6, the Buffalo express, at Dover and picked up a flagman who had been sent back."

"It overtook No. 6 again at Lincoln Park, a place a few miles west of Paterson, and the No. 6 flagman returned to his train. Those in charge of train No. 56 were thus fully cognizant of the proximity of train No. 6."

"Notwithstanding this knowledge, train No. 56 seems to have entered Paterson at a careless rate of speed and to have run into No. 6."

"I understand that the head of No. 6, which was a long train, was at the station, and that the passengers who were to leave the train at that point were about to be discharged."

"Under the circumstances those in charge of train No. 56 seem to be wholly culpable. All of the crew of that train have been suspended."

WISCONSIN VS. MICHIGAN.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—The eleven of the University of Wisconsin defeated the University of Michigan eleven today by a score of 17 to 5. The mighty right leg of Pat O'Dea, the Wisconsin's full back, was a big factor in the one side score, as he was responsible for 10 of the points scored by the Badgers. Once he lifted the ball to the goal posts from the 25 yard line.

OLYMPIC VS. MULTNOMAH.

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—The Olympic Club football team of San Francisco played a tie game today with the Multnomah Athletic club, neither side scoring. The ball was in Olympic's territory most of the time and when time was called Multnomah had the ball.

U. OF W. VS. WHITMAN COLLEGE.

SEATTLE, Nov. 30.—The University of Washington football team won the championship of Washington and Idaho today by defeating Whitman college by a score of 6 to 5. The gridiron was a sea of mud.

PENNSYLVANIA VS. CORNELL.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.—Pennsylvania football eleven defeated Cornell on the Franklin field today by a score of 23 to 0. Cornell was lamentably weak and especially in the line.

CARLISLE VS. COLUMBIA.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The football eleven of the Columbia was beaten by the Carlisle Indians at Manhattan field today by a score of 45 to 9.

U. OF C. VS. STANFORD.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—University of California, 30; Stanford University, 0.

SEATTLE DONE FOR.

Transport Victoria Ordered to Load at a Port From Which Cargo can be Carried Safely.

SEATTLE, Nov. 30.—The transport Victoria will sail tomorrow for San Francisco under orders to load livestock there for Manila. The loss of animals to date is 94, the value of which is estimated at \$25,000. The total loss to the government on the Victoria charter will be about \$40,000.

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